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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph on page 13, line 21 to page 14, line 11 with the following paragraph.

Fig. 6 illustrates a new dynamic option stanza that may be used in a configuration file. Line 600 is a comment documenting the stanza. For example, CARTMAN is the name of the network and the network IP address is 9.3.149.0. Line 610 specifies the sub-network keyword (i.e., IP address 9.3.149.0), the network mask is 27 and the IP addresses that should be assigned to a client system on the network should be from 9.3.149.3 to 9.3.149.25, inclusively. Out of the range of IP addresses, IP address 9.3.149.21 should be excluded since it is the permanent IP address of a domain name server (see line 620). Option 15 from line 630 identifies a domain name. Line 640 is a comment identifying the dynamic option container. The dynamic option stanza (see line 650) calls for a refresh every two (2) hours by checking a resource manager (line 670) having 9.3.149.66 as an IP address in order to get a new router (option 3 on line 680) and a new domain name server (option 6 on line 690). The resource manager may be a server that contains a list of all resources including routers and domain name servers that may be used within the sub-network. Alternatively, the resource manager may be running on the same machine as the ~~the~~ DHCP server. In that case, an IP address need not be supplied on line 670.

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